

MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes of: Special Meeting of the Milpitas City Council
Date: Tuesday, June 30, 2020
Time: 5:30 PM
Location: Meeting held via teleconference/zoom webinar online
Milpitas, CA

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tran called the special meeting to order at 5:34 PM. City Clerk called the roll. The meeting took place via teleconference and zoom webinar.

PRESENT: Mayor Tran, Vice Mayor Nuñez, Councilmembers Dominguez and Phan

ABSENT: Councilmember Montano was absent at roll call, and arrived in Closed Session

CLOSED SESSION

City Council adjourned to Closed Session to discuss four matters listed on the agenda: one labor negotiation, two litigation items, and one property negotiation.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

At 7:47 PM, returning to the dais and the open part of the meeting, City Attorney Chris Diaz reported no action out of Closed Session while direction was given to staff.

PLEDGE

Mayor Tran led all in the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: to approve the June 30 agenda for this special meeting, moving item no. 3 to the August 4 Council meeting agenda and adding an Announcements section

Motion/Second: Vice Mayor Nuñez/Councilmember Montano

Motion carried by a vote of: AYES: 5
NOES: 0

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Dominguez requested a future agenda item for discussion to adopt state certification for NEC for all electrical work performed in the City, and to bring that back in the first three months after the July break. All Councilmembers were in favor of the item.

Councilmember Phan wanted the Council to take a look at and discuss, then provide direction on revising a campaign finance ordinance to regional standards, and have a broader discussion on regulations on that and/or the Open Government Ordinance. Four Councilmembers were in favor, while the Mayor abstained.

Councilmember Montano received calls from residents about weeds growing high. She formed a "Beautify Milpitas" team of volunteers to clean up weeds and anti-graffiti and requested City support.

Councilmember Dominguez said she had a group too, that was separate from the City. She wanted to ensure that any resources were available to all Councilmembers equally. The City Manager stated this could be a discussion item in August with more detail brought to City Council.

Vice Mayor Nuñez noted that the Community Advisory Commission held a “Beautification Day” each year and there was a cost for that event, paid for out of the City budget for that Commission.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST & CONTRIBUTIONS

City Attorney Diaz asked the Mayor and City Councilmembers if they had any personal conflict of interest or reportable campaign contributions. By roll call, no conflicts or contributions were reported.

PUBLIC FORUM

City Clerk read aloud comments submitted in writing from 18 residents.

Vice Mayor Nuñez responded to comments on the police.

Mayor Tran responded on homelessness, and wanted all residents to reach out to the City for assistance with the rent relief program.

Vice Mayor Nuñez asked the City Manager to comment about Montague Expressway being closed to prepare for installation of the pedestrian overcrossing bridge.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Amendment to Consolidated Plan for CDBG funding

Building Safety and Housing Director Sharon Goei explained the current status of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding, and requested amendments to the Consolidated Plan for those grant funds, including to the citizen participation plan.

Mayor Tran opened the public hearing.

City Clerk read aloud one comment from Voltaire Montemayor.

Motion: to close the public hearing, following one comment

Motion/Second: Vice Mayor Nuñez/Councilmember Montano

Motion carried by a vote of: AYES: 5
NOES: 0

Motion:

- a) To approve substantial amendments to the FY 2017-2022 Consolidated Plan regarding Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding
- b) To approve amendments to the Citizen Participation Plan
- c) To authorize the City Manager (or his designee) to make any necessary changes to the Consolidated Plan and Citizen Participation Plan as needed to comply with CDBG submission guidelines

Motion/Second: Councilmember Dominguez/Councilmember Montano

Motion carried by a vote of: AYES: 5
NOES: 0

AGENDA ITEMS

2. Milpitas Metro (TASP Update) Plan

Planning Director Ned Thomas introduced Planning Manager Jessica Garner, who gave a brief overview of Plan process. Mr. Kevin Riley, consultant manager of the Transit Area Specific Plan (TASP), gave an update to the TASP, renamed as Milpitas Metro.

Consulting firm representative Jane Lin from Urban Field Studio presented the Milpitas Metro plan, including existing conditions, preliminary approach including stakeholder

engagement, area of focus and the next 20 years. Christina Paul and Teifion Rice-Evans also addressed the City Council.

Mayor Tran and Councilmembers provided feedback and recommendations for public improvements in the Metro area around the Milpitas BART station and Transit Center.

City Clerk read aloud five comments submitted online from: Chris Rios, Voltaire Montemayor, Charles Schletzbaum, Jackie Romero and Urvish Mehta.

Mayor Tran thanked the consultants and staff for the presentation.

3. Amend Agreement with
MUSD for Russell
School playing fields

Item was removed from the agenda, and requested to be rescheduled to an August City Council meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Vice Mayor Nuñez requested to remove item no. 5 from consent.

- C4. Agreement with MUSD
for McCandless Park
and Mattos School

As a consent calendar item, the Council voted on this item only as follows.

Motion:

- a) To approve an amendment to the McCandless Property Joint Use Agreement between the Milpitas Unified School District and the City of Milpitas
- b) To approve a new Agreement between the Milpitas Unified School District and the City of Milpitas for ongoing Operation and Maintenance of Joint Use Areas of McCandless Park and Mabel Mattos School

Motion/Second:

Vice Mayor Nuñez/Councilmember Dominguez

Motion carried by a vote of:

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

5. Preview of August 4 City
Council meeting items

Vice Mayor Nuñez asked the City Manager about which items recently requested would be added specifically to the August 4 City Council agenda. Mr. McHarris said he would get back to Mr. Nuñez and the Council on that.

City Council received the preview list of anticipated agenda items for the regular City Council meeting scheduled on August 4, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Tran adjourned the special meeting at 11:16 PM.

The foregoing minutes were approved by Milpitas City Council on August 4, 2020.

Mary Lavelle
City Clerk